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CONGRESSIONAL TOUR VISITS CLEMSON RESEARCH FARMS

BY CADE MCCONNELL, SCDA

The Palmetto Agribusiness Council and the South Carolina Department of Agriculture recently hosted the 2023 SC Congressional Staff tour. Staffers for the state's U.S. senators and representatives toured some of Clemson University's research farms and learned about topics in agriculture. The trip allowed these staffers access to the state's wide scope of agricultural research, networking opportunities, and information about SCDA programs.

Fifteen Congressional staff members attended the tour alongside Palmetto Agribusiness Council CEO Ronnie Summers, South Carolina Commissioner of Agriculture Hugh Weathers, and members of SCDA, SC Farm Bureau, the Forestry Association of SC, and Clemson University.



The group toured some of Clemson University's research facilities, beginning in the Experimental Forest. The Clemson Experimental Forest is a 17,500-acre forest that serves as a classroom, research facility, and public recreation space. The self-supporting forest produces around 10,000 tons of pulp wood per year. While touring the forest, attendees had the opportunity to witness some of the research being conducted with termites as well as the results of an effort to eradicate a plot of English ivy.

After the forest, the group headed to Musser Fruit Research Center for a clinic in peach growing and research. Situated on a peninsula in Lake Hartwell, the Musser Fruit Research Farm is a 240-acre fruit tree research facility. While there are a variety of fruits grown at the facility, it is primarily a peach orchard growing around 350 cultivars. One of the most prolific cultivars grown is the Guardian® rootstock. Developed by Dr. Greg Reighard, Guardian® rootstock helps peach trees resist short-life syndrome and has been an asset to the South Carolina peach industry. Clemson remains the sole source of peach pits for the rootstock.



After a ride through the orchards on a tractor-pulled tram, everyone stopped for lunch at the Garrison Arena Complex. This multi-purpose livestock facility is the only full-service public facility designed to promote the South Carolina livestock industry. The arena has been host to cattle shows, rodeos, dog competitions, markets, and more.

The group visited the farm known around Clemson as "The Bottoms." Located on the university's main campus, this 90-acre plot has been continuously farmed for more than 1,000 years. Now, The Bottoms is used as a multifunctional ag space where the University can research and demonstrate climate smart, regenerative organic, and restoration agriculture. The Restoration agriculture farm uses berms and swales to manage flooding and protect plants during large rain events and demonstrates the restoration of farmland by mimicking the natural oak and pine forests of the area. It features 28 different tree and shrub species, all of which are edible or beneficial to wildlife. Of the species featured at the farm, some cultivars are unique to the area. In the future, Clemson plans to add perennial and annual crops, and potentially grazing animals to the farm.

The group also visited Clemson's Pickens Bend Shooting Range where the attendees heard from Commissioner Hugh Weathers; Keith Belli, dean of Clemson University's College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences; and Tom Dobbins, Director of the Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service. Project Victory Gardens, an Agribusiness Center for Research and Entrepreneurship (ACRE) participant, also made a presentation; the Townville startup is an agritherapy, animal therapy, and agriculture education program for military veterans. The shooting range visit ended with a demonstration from Clemson's shooting team.



COMMISSIONER'S CORNER

HUGH E. WEATHERS

SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE

OPPORTUNITIES OVERSEAS

At the South Carolina Department of Agriculture, we're always looking for new marketing opportunities for South Carolina farmers' and agribusinesses' products. International markets are one area of opportunity. Last month, I attended the largest seafood exposition in the world to learn more.

Our state joined Florida and Virginia at the Expo, along with some exporters of fish and oysters. The organizing group for our delegation was SUSTA, the Southern United States Trade Association, which helps small businesses in the Southern US promote value-added U.S. food and agricultural products to foreign markets. We've stepped up our involvement in SUSTA in the past year, as we believe it's a great way to help South Carolina agribusinesses.

Seafood Expo Global takes place in Barcelona, Spain, spanning five huge exhibit halls with some 150 countries represented. It was a sight to behold. It was the place to learn all you wanted to know about worldwide seafood trading.

South Carolina has a small but mighty seafood industry. I think our reputation for high quality represents an

opportunity — but the global seafood market is very competitive.

While in Barcelona, we also took the opportunity to visit a massive wholesale market and some innovative retailers.

After Spain, I went to Israel, where I visited an innovative company that wants to expand to South Carolina as their first location in the United States. Pure Blue Fish raises saltwater fish indoors in a completely enclosed facility just north of Tel Aviv. I took a tour of their "farm", which is very impressive.

A few years ago, Pure Blue Fish announced they would be building a facility in Orangeburg and making South Carolina their US headquarters as they continued to expand. That expansion was delayed by COVID — as were so many projects — but I look forward to welcoming them to our state.

After the work was done, I took some personal time in the Holy Land, meeting up with some friends from South Carolina. We hiked across the Galilee region, tracing what people believe to have been Christ's path from Nazareth. Although I've been to Israel before, this particular journey was a very enlightening spiritual experience. Shalom.

Hugh Weathers

UPCOMING EVENTS

2023 South Carolina Ag + Art Tour

South Carolina residents can learn where their food and fiber come from, as well as enjoy the sights and sounds of local art and music. This is a free self-guided tour of farms in 11 SC counties. The self-guided tours take place from 10 am – 4 pm on Saturdays, and from 1 – 5 pm on Sundays. Tour dates, counties and information can be found:

June 3 & 4
Kershaw County
facebook.com/agandartkershaw

June 10 & 11
Richland County
facebook.com/agandartrichland
York County
facebook.com/agandartyork

June 17 & 18
Fairfield County
facebook.com/agandartfairfield

June 24 & 25
Chester County
facebook.com/agandartchester

For more information, go to agandarttour.com

Blythewood Farmers Market

Wednesdays • 4 – 7 pm
 Join us for our 9th year in operation! The vendor application is available online.
171 Langford Road, Blythewood
 803-402-6864
blythewoodfarmersmarket.com/join.html
facebook.com/BlythewoodFarmersMarket

Clemson Farmers Market

Thursdays • 4 – 7 pm
578 Issaqueena Trail, Clemson
allison@clemsonareachamber.org
facebook.com/ClemsonFarmersMarket

Greenville Saturday Market

Saturdays • 8 am – 12 pm
 Come out to explore and enjoy products from over 75 local farms and vendors! From produce to flowers to coffee and treats, it is fun for the whole family.
Main Street, Downtown Greenville
saturdaymarketlive.com

Small Vendor Saturdays

Saturdays • 8 am
Greenville State Farmers Market
1354 Rutherford Road, Greenville
 Contact: Lia Sanders
lsanders@scda.sc.gov • 864-244-4023
facebook.com/GVLMarket

Twin Creeks Lavender 4th Annual U-pick

June 2 – July 2 • 9 am – 2 pm
 We invite you to join us among acres of lavender every Friday, Saturday and Sunday through July 2nd. Advanced tickets via Eventbrite are \$5; admission at the gate is \$6. Children under six and adults over 65 may enter for FREE.
Twin Creeks Lavender
4638 Midway Road, Williamston
 864-940-1684
twincreekslavender.com
facebook.com/twincreekslavender

Homegrown Home Runs with the Lexington County Blowfish

June 9 & 10 • 7:05
 Baseball and agriculture go hand-in-hand. Lexington County Farm Bureau is eager to celebrate agriculture during a weekend of fun at the Lexington County Blowfish Baseball Stadium. We encourage you and your family to join us to celebrate South Carolina's agriculture industry and cheer on the Lexington County Blowfish!
Lexington County Blowfish
474 Ball Park Road, Lexington
scfb.org

Hello Summer Vendor Festival

June 10 • 10 am – 2 pm
 Farmers + Artists + Food + Music at our second Saturday vendor market. Shop our farm store for fresh eggs, local goods, jams/jellies, pickles, and salsa! Enjoy the live music and food trucks and stroll the property on our trails.
Boondock Farms
755 Foreman Street, Jackson
hello@boondockfarms.com • 706-589-4920
boondockfarms.com
facebook.com/boondockfarmstead

SALES & AUCTIONS

Tindal Farms Auction

June 3 • 2 pm
 We accept all miscellaneous for auction. Poultry, small animals, goats, pigs, horses, rabbits, and cows. Call ahead to preregister large animals. Cash payment must be paid in full on the day of sale. Sellers consignments accepted on day of sale. Rain or shine.
1407 Fox Tindal Road, Pinewood
 Contact: Hal Tindal
hal.tindal@outlook.com • 803-473-0171

SCDA State Farmers Markets

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FARMERS MARKET
 3483 Charleston Highway
 West Columbia, SC 29172
 803-737-4664

GREENVILLE STATE FARMERS MARKET
 1354 Rutherford Road
 Greenville, SC 29609
 864-244-4023

PEE DEE STATE FARMERS MARKET
 2513 W. Lucas Street
 Florence, SC 29501
 843-665-5154

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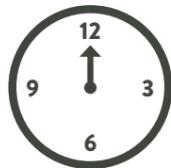
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Derek Long
Newberry
803-944-3058

3-4" KOI FISH

\$1 ea; larger fish, \$5 ea
Tommy Sherman
Laurens
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CATTLE

REG BLK ANG BULLS

8-24 m/o, \$1500-2500
Jeremy Bessinger
Bamberg
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4 REG RED ANG BULLS

2+ y/o, BSE, most AI sired, forage developed, \$2800+
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16 m/o, perf pedigrees, low birth rate, low input, exc feet, \$4500+
Walter Shealy
Newberry
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17 M/O REG ANG BULLS

sired by Momentum, gentle, low BW, \$1500-2000
Wade Parnell
Anderson
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REG BLK ANG BULLS

14-24 m/o, calving ease, \$2000+; bred cows, \$1500+
Marc Renwick
Newberry
803-271-8691

REG ANG BULLS

6-10 m/o, exc b'line, docile, \$1500-2000
Kinard Holliday
Anderson
864-261-6369

FB RED POLL YRLG BULLS

open & bred hefrs, cow/calf prs, \$1500-2500
J Wyatt
Marlboro
803-651-3086

2 REG BFMSTR BULLS

3 y/o, 1 blk, AI, \$3000-3500
Donnie Bechtler
York
803-412-5237

WEANED BEEF CALVES

3-5 m/o, vac/wormed, \$350+
Casey McCarty
Newberry
803-924-5239

16-17 M/O RPLCMNT HEFRS

sired by AI bulls, \$1200
Jason Nichols
Saluda
864-992-2753

2 PB BLK ANG BULLS

y/o, \$1350 ea
Larry Bates
Orangeburg
803-308-3870

REG BFMSTER BULLS

24 m/o, reg, red & wht, Semen tested, \$2000; 4 PB bulls, \$1400+; reg hefrs, \$1500+
John Steele
Lancaster
803-283-7720

(2) ½ SOUTH POLL ½ ANG BULLS

B-1/22, smaller frame, \$1000 ea
Tyler Roark
Anderson
864-437-6048

4 BISON FYRLNGS

13 m/o, all are OCV, 7 way, & wormed, \$1800 ea
Barry Mauldin
Edgefield
803-606-6579

3 Y/O JERSEY COW

poss bred, \$1400
Robert Turner
Orangeburg
803-596-6463

REG BLK ANG BULL

B-11/26/19, sired by Basin
Payweight 1682, \$3500
Shane Whitaker
York
803-925-2129

REG HRFRD BRED COWS

8 y/o, \$1800; 1 y/o bulls, \$1200; cow/calf prs, \$1800; sire: Churchill Sensation
Churchill Jenkiins
Horry
843-365-4900

REG & COMM BULLS

& hefrs, open & confirmed bred hefrs by Reg Bull, all low BW, gentle, \$1500-2500
Bobby Baker
Lancaster
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30 m/o, AI bred 1/23 & PE 2/23-4/23, \$2000; Reg 2 y/o Limo bull, \$1800; both HB & HP
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2 BLK ANG BULLS

10 m/o, \$900 ea; (3) 18 m/o bulls, Char/Ang mix, Red Ang, Blk Ang, \$1000 ea
Suzanne Reed
Anderson
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YRLG REG ANG BULL

AAA 20281190, breeding soundness test, top 5% WW&YW, B-2/3/22, \$3000
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Horry
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DEXTER/HOLSTEIN CROSS COW

4½ y/o, gentle, organic grain fed, machine milked, \$900
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Bamberg
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ADS MAY NOT BE SUBMITTED BY COMMERCIAL DEALERS. A CURRENT FARM TAG ISSUED BY THE SCDMV IS REQUIRED ON ALL FARM VEHICLES.

BUSH HOG GROOMING MWR

antiq/vintage '60-64, 5', cuts good, lrg 18¾" spoke whl on deck, more, photos avail, \$500
Bob White
Spartanburg
864-457-2293

CAT D8K DOZER

4 blades, GC, \$35,000
Samuel Cribb
Williamsburg
843-558-2256

SUPER A FA

w/cults, EC, \$3800 cash
John Strickland
Colleton
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FORD 8N TRACTOR

5' bush hog, 5' disc harrow, \$3000 obo; '50 JD tractor, \$2200 obo
Jimmy Hodge
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14' TRLR W/2' DOVETAIL

& ramps, EC, new deck, tires & rims, (2) 3500 lb axels, \$3400
Timmy Baker
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HARROWS & BUSH HOG

\$100 ea; hay rake, \$200
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864-578-8214

MF 124 SQ BALER

\$2500; M FA, \$800
Jack Holbrook
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3PH POST HOLE DIGGER

10" auger, LN, \$700; 5x8 farm trl, road worthy, \$450
Donald Henson
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864-463-4091

6' CULTIPACKER

rebuilt made to PB a four whlr side by side or small tractor, \$600
Steve Lanning
Oconee
864-710-4898

JD BD1113 GRAIN DRILL

small seed box, light kit, 13' 7-5 spacing, new, \$21,000
Steve Sease
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864-304-6313

SKID LDR/SMALL TRACTOR BUCKET

72" W R Long 18.1 CF, HD, EC, photos avail, \$400
Layton Gwinn
Aiken
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MF 261 W/CANOPY

EC, 300 hrs, 2 rear outlets, \$12,500 obo
Chris Whatley
Edgefield
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55 GAL NORTH STAR

3pt boom less broadcast & spot spryr, \$400, no texts
William Beck
Chester
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HAY BALER

Vermeer 504 Super 1, & Krone disc mwr eazy-cutter, \$4000 ea; RC58 hay rake, \$2000; more
Terry Gable
Abbeville
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16' OBECO GRAIN BED

w/hoist & waterproof roll tarp, \$2500 obo; JD 336 sq baler, \$2200 obo
Drake Kinley
Anderson
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'85 MF DSL TRACTOR

bush hog, boom pole, \$7000
Dorothy Jumper
Lexington
803-622-1604

JD6500 SPRYR

w/60' frt fold booms, \$25,000; JD1700 6r vac plntr, row cleaners, liq fert & spray, \$16,000
Joe Phillips Jr
Lexington
803-600-2928

3000 FORD

dsl, \$4500; 3000 Ford, gas, \$4000; Mahindra eMax 22S, 40 hrs, \$9500; NH 616 disc mwr, GC, \$7000
Rickie Evans
Chester
803-209-2714

CASE IH 685

dsl, 73 hp, good metal & rubber, new brakes, \$10,500
Mark Fields
Laurens
864-554-4189

JD 4710 SPRYR

\$48,000; Case 3 reversible btm plow, \$1200; JD 328 baler accumltr, grapple, \$16,000
Jeffrey Gilmore
Chesterfield
843-517-0315

15' IH 1020 HDR AUGER

\$400; NH rnd baler, \$2700
Charles Nichols
Saluda
864-445-8350

JD 1010 W/FERT DIST

& all of the cults, GRC, hyd good, FR, \$4600
Sonny Burr
Chesterfield
843-680-1087

FORD 801 DSL TRACTOR

63 hp, 2nd hyd, new injection pump, water, starter, new 5' Pegasus finish mwr, \$6500
Ricky Green
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w/kicker whl, \$7500; NH 7740 w/ldr, \$24,550
Otis Hembree
Spartanburg
864-316-1222

SS FERT LIME SPRDR

6 ton, \$15,000; TW O/S 24 disc harrow, \$2500; Woods HD315 Batwing Bush hog, \$3500; more
Ken Hunter
Chester
803-374-0448

JD 8300 12' DRILL

7½" spacing, new lift cyl & hyd hoses, \$4000
Tim Boozer
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RHINO ROTARY CUTTER

mod TW84, same used by the highway dept, GC, \$4000
Stephen Gedosch
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864-982-4490

'90 F250 LARIAT

gas, 9798 mi, \$3000
Wayman Coleman III
Abbeville
864-379-1138

475 INTL DISC

18' fold up, FR, \$2500
Victor Smith
Berkeley
843-688-5353

BROWN BRUSH CUTTER

new blades & bolts, 6'W w/1000 rpm PTO, \$5000
Kenneth Chicos
Laurens
276-445-5771

HD 3PH DISC HARROW

16 scalloped blade, screw blade adj, GC, \$1600
D L Dimery
Lexington
803-796-2995

JD 4720 4WD LDR

\$32,000; Cat D7F, \$35,000; MF 1105, \$15,000; JD 3020, \$10,000; MF 1080, \$9500
Ronald McGraw
Lancaster
980-255-8584

8 WHL HAY RAKE

w/new whls, \$2000; 8x20 hay trl, \$600; NH 273 hay baler, \$750
Tony Culick
Williamsburg
843-382-8550

'51 JD MT

recently overhauled, plntrs, cults, & plows, 1 rear tire is weather cracked, \$3500
David Green
Spartanburg
864-804-8090

NH 640 RND BALER

barn kept, \$5500
Madison McGinn
Lancaster
704-363-1099

MF 281 W/LDR

2wd, canopy, \$15,500; 3ph bale spear & Covington TP fert attach, \$150 ea
Robert Turner
Orangeburg
803-596-6463

KUBOTA L4701 W/LDR

4x4, \$27,000
Russell Goings
Union
864-426-2309

75 HP JD 3020

wide frt, Rops added, GRC, \$11,000
Jim Blackwell
Greenville
864-617-3344

ROTARY TILLER

Frontier mod RT1173, \$3750
Cal Norris
Edgefield
864-378-2693

CATTLE/LIVESTOCK TRL

16' BP, Tandem axle, center & side gate, \$2500; herd spin sprdr, 3ph, \$190
F Rowe
Newberry
803-271-7768

FORD TRACTOR

new parts-lift cyl, PTO shaft, starter, alt, tires, carb, fuel tank, frt end & extra parts, \$4975
Tom Kirkley
Lancaster
803-246-8195

'85 DSL FORD 2910

new battery, clutch, pp & rebuilt inj pump, roll bar w/ canopy, 2 owners, owners man, \$6500
Mike Wilson
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864-595-1136

'18 VERMEER ROTARY MWR

mod 5040, LT 100 hrs, \$3000
Suzanne Reed
Anderson
864-293-0363

VICON CM247 DISC CUTTER

8' cut, \$3750
Robert Hurley
Laurens
864-981-5352

WR LONG BRUSH GRAPPLE

fits 60-84" buckets, new fittings & hoses, \$600
George Wilson
Newberry
803-537-1543

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16/16" scallop, \$650
Olin Bishop
Bamberg
803-267-2630

GARDEN

ADS ARE NOT ACCEPTED FROM COMMERCIAL NURSERIES, WHICH HAVE ANNUAL SALES OF \$5,000.

FIG & POMEGRANATES

\$20; grapevines, \$10; Mulberry, \$25; Blueberry plants, 3/\$20; Blkberry plants, 3/\$25
FC Noles
Barnwell
803-383-4066

HOGS / PIGS

YORKSHIRE/HAMPSHIRE PIGS

8 w/o, \$75 ea
Robert Turner
Orangeburg
803-596-6463

FARM LABOR

NOTICES ARE ACCEPTED FOR AGRICULTURAL WORK ONLY AND NOT FOR HOUSEWORK, NURSING, OR COMPANIONSHIP NEEDS.

<p>CLEARING grading, stumping, demo, hvy discing, Rome disc-dozer Keith Peterson Chester 803-633-4015</p> <p>CERTIFIED FARRIER trims goats & donkeys; also trims & shoes trail horses Joe Payne Oconee 864-888-7642</p> <p>PASTURE BOARDING for horses in Spring Hill area, call for info Katherine Thompson Lee 870-816-5814</p> <p>FORESTRY MULCHING land clearing, wildlife mgmt, ditches, grading, pond digging Jay Lowder Clarendon 803-473-0646</p>	<p>FORESTRY MULCHING & clearing, clear land w/ mulcher or excavator, small to lrg tracts Dakota Hollman Lexington 803-687-6382</p> <p>LIGHT BUSH HOGGING tractor work, lawn maint Glenn Goins Lexington 803-381-8287</p> <p>POND CONSULTS pond stocking, feeders, aerators, traps-turtle, fish, etc; Pond Structure, feed, lime, fert Clay Chappelle Richland 803-776-4923</p> <p>NEED SOMEONE to cut 25A hay field, 30 min N of Spartanburg William Ware Spartanburg 803-517-8060</p>	<p>FENCES INSTALLED per your specs, statewide Bruce Thomas Dorchester 843-636-1699</p> <p>LIME SPREADING specialize in TN, call for prices Drake Kinley Anderson 864-353-9628</p> <p>DOZER/TRACKHOE WORK build & repair ponds, demo, tree removal, land clearing, roads, free est James Hughes Greenwood 864-227-8257</p> <p>LIGHT TRACTOR WORK incl bush hogging, discing, cut up & removal of downed trees, light landscaping John Tanner Lexington 803-422-4714</p>	<p>RECLAIM PASTURES pond builds, demo & removal of old bldgs, land clearing, insured, free quotes, veteran owned Paul Irby Chester 803-374-3142</p> <p>LAND CLEARING stumping/raking, site prep, house/building pad, driveways, licensed & insured, serving upstate of SC Ben Leonard Pickens 864-901-8155</p> <p>FORESTRY MULCHING & CLEARING pine site prep, mulching, land clearing, ditching/drainage, ponds, road work Andy Anderson Florence 843-862-1080</p>	<p>PASTURE MGMT SERV spray weeds, treat fire ants, fert & lime, plant pastures, Fescue, Ryegrass, Bermuda, Bahia Kenny Mullis Richland 803-331-6612</p> <p>PECAN CRACKING & shelling serv, 50¢/lb for cracking only; 85¢/lb for both Richard Naumann Richland 803-546-4603</p> <p>TRACTOR WORK frt end ldr, dirt blade, bush hog, chain saw trees, back hoe work w/in 20 mi David Wannamaker Calhoun 803-682-2117</p>	<p>EQUIPMENT REPAIR tractor, dozer, mechanical, electrical, & hydraulics Paul Hammitt Spartanburg 864-921-2294</p> <p>ONSITE MOBILE WELDING & fabrication, farm & hvy equip, fences, gates, etc Garrett Stephens Greenville 828-405-2176</p> <p>WILDLIFE MGMT nuisance wildlife control & removal Jarod Goins Lexington 803-381-8917</p>
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FARM LAND

FARM LAND MUST BE OFFERED FOR SALE BY THE OWNER, NOT AN AGENT. TRACTS MUST BE AT LEAST 5 ACRES UNDER CULTIVATION, TIMBER, OR PASTURE. OUT-OF-STATE OWNERS—NOT REAL ESTATE AGENTS—MAY NOW SUBMIT ADS FOR LAND IN SC.

<p>WANT 5+A PASTURE Fairfield, Chester, York, Lancaster, Union Cos Russell Brown Fairfield 803-718-0911</p> <p>WANT LAND TO LEASE for cows, near Belton, & poss land lease hay Tyler Roark Anderson 864-437-6048</p> <p>WANT 5+A suitable for livestock, Fairfield, Kershaw Co Mason Motley Richland 803-754-3224</p>	<p>20+/-A UNION CO near Natl Forest, timber, turkey, deer, \$140,000 Kenneth Chicos Laurens 276-445-5771</p> <p>86.40A FARM/HUNTING LAND goes to the Edisto River, good pasture land, \$500,000 Rebecca Fogle Lexington 803-682-1568</p> <p>WANT LAND TO LEASE Upstate for '23 hunting Sid Lewis Greenville 864-483-5058</p>	<p>132A SUMTER CO timber, Pocotaligo Swamp, w/gov easement, duck & deer hunting, \$1100/A Horace Roberson Sumter 803-972-4800</p> <p>WANT LAND TO LEASE for hunting, Darlington or surrounding Cos, have equip to repair & maintain property Ray Sealey Darlington 843-409-1717</p>	<p>20.55A WARE PLACE on Hwy 25, 380' of road frtage, no zoning, \$25,000/A Stephen Gedosch Greenville 849-982-4490</p> <p>26A SALUDA CO mostly pasture, 2A pond & deep well, b'tween Saluda & Ninety Six, \$260,000 Terry Gibert Greenwood 864-993-4212</p>
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FRESH PRODUCE

PRODUCE MUST BE RAW AND NON-PROCESSED. RAW MILK, BUTTER, AND CHEESE PRODUCTS MUST BE PERMITTED BY THE SC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL. AN EGG LICENSE IS NOT REQUIRED FOR ON-FARM POINTS OF SALE.

<p>FREE RANGE EGGS brown & green, del to Marion, Dillon, Horry, Florence & Darlington Cos, \$5/dz Nick Mosher Marion 912-289-5575</p> <p>CHICKEN EGGS farm fresh, \$3/dz, \$4/18 Rose Roof Lexington 803-315-7307</p>	<p>FREE RANGE EGGS Non GMO, \$4/dz, \$7/2 dz Darlene Cole Newberry 864-380-2233</p> <p>FARM FRESH EGGS \$3/dz Joyce Watkins Chesterfield 850-554-4659</p>
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GOATS / LLAMAS / SHEEP

<p>WHT LAMANCHA GOAT 3 y/o, \$250; brown & wht goat, 4 y/o, \$500 Husein Kapasi Spartanburg 864-809-0291</p> <p>BABY PYGMY GOATS 3-4 m/o, \$125/M, \$180/F Rickey Mackey Colleton 843-709-3677</p> <p>REG ANGORA GOATS mature proven buck, \$200; wethers, \$175; proven does, \$250 Emily Simon Lancaster 803-627-7850</p>	<p>NGN DWARF KIDS bottle fed & disbudded, can be ADGA reg, \$450+ Kimberly Argoe Newberry 803-446-9657</p> <p>4 M/O BOAR BILLY \$200 Stanley Traylor York 803-417-4834</p> <p>100% PURE FAINTING GOATS 1½ y/o & 8 m/o, billies & nannies, \$450 ea Lisa Scott Lexington 803-331-8309</p>	<p>KIKO MEAT GOATS (3) 14 m/o yrlgs, ready to breed, \$300 ea; (8) 3 m/o kids, \$200 ea; cash only Dave Coates Edgefield 813-601-0370</p> <p>ADULT M PYGMY BILLY 1½ y/o, 2 y/o F pygmy, shots UTD, wormed, \$125 ea Barry Mauldin Edgefield 803-606-6579</p> <p>3 M/O BOER/KIKO KIDS \$200 ea Carolyn Gibert Greenwood 864-993-4212</p>	<p>KATAHDIN SHEEP 6 m/o M & F, \$225; older rams & ewes, \$300 Francis Black Barnwell 803-259-8428</p> <p>KIKO BILLY GOATS 2 age groups, \$75-150 ea Jonathan Hardy Richland 803-730-8551</p> <p>'23 JACOB LAMBS rams & ewes, \$175; Kiko bucklings & doelings, \$150+; photos avail by text Allan Clark Abbeville 864-314-5226</p>	<p>14 M/O NUBIAN BILLY \$150 George Fowler Greenville 864-417-7615</p> <p>FB BOER DOES 1 y/o, nvr serviced, 2½ y/o proven doe, \$800 ea Sherry Machtley Jasper 803-942-9194</p> <p>PYGMY BILLY GOATS 6 m/o blk/wht, (2) 10 m/o, 1 blk, 1 brn, \$100 each Tom Thornton Lexington 803-960-4068</p>	<p>2 FB NUBIAN DOES \$300 ea Aaron Shirey Lexington 803-413-2974</p> <p>WEANED RAM LAMB eating well, \$65 Kathy Pearson Oconee 864-753-0380</p> <p>NGN DWARF GOATS 1 y/o doe, (3) 4 m/o does, 4 m/o M, \$150 ea Roger Todd Anderson 864-617-4345</p>
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HAY & GRAIN

<p>'23 4x5 RND FESCUE MIX net wrap, \$40/bale Tony King Greenwood 864-993-3224</p> <p>'23 MAX Q FESCUE & Clover mixed, cut/baled 1st wk of May, HQ & CQ avail, 4x6, \$70/bale; 4x5, \$60/bale C E Thrailkill Chester 803-283-7659</p> <p>OATS & WHEAT cleaned, 50 lb bags, \$10 ea Louis Lemacks Colleton 843-909-1867</p> <p>'23 CLEAN 4x5 FESCUE net wrap, limed & fert, per soil sample, \$45/bale, 50+, \$40/bale Donnie Shealy Saluda 803-730-8533</p>	<p>'23 SQ FESCUE NR, in barn, \$7 ea Jerry Butler Laurens 864-697-6343</p> <p>WHEAT STRAW 4x5 net wrap, \$40 ea Richard Knight Kershaw 803-427-6440</p> <p>WHEAT STRAW sq, \$5/bale Jason Nichols Saluda 864-992-2753</p> <p>ANNUAL RYEGRASS 4x5 net wrap, \$50 Michael Strickland Laurens 864-923-3153</p> <p>EAR CORN 50 lb bag, \$6; 10+ bags, \$5/bag Ralph Fairrington Lexington 803-622-0961</p>	<p>'23 FESCUE & RYE GRASS rnd, net wrap, fert & sprayed, HQ, \$40-45/bale, some del avail Don Counts Newberry 803-315-1016</p> <p>'23 WHEAT STRAW sq, \$5/bale, rnd, \$40/bale Brett Wiggins Colleton 843-631-0914</p> <p>CORN \$55/barrel; Oats, \$50/barrel Plato Kneece Aiken 803-582-8665</p> <p>SQ RYE & WHEAT STRAW \$4/bale; Oats, \$45, your 55 gal drum; Wheat, \$60, your 55 gal drum Jeffrey Gilmore Chesterfield 843-517-0315</p>	<p>RYE STRAW \$5 ea; all barn kept Howard McCartha Lexington 803-312-3316</p> <p>'22 4x5 CB shed stored, fert/lime, NR, del avail for fee, \$75/bale; '23 fresh baled oats, \$65/bale; both HQ Edward Chavis Barnwell 803-671-3108</p> <p>'22 SQ OAT STRAW BALES clean, \$4 ea Tom Fink Lexington 803-622-4678</p> <p>'23 ANNUAL RYEGRASS HAY 4x5, no weeds, NR, fert, net wrap, VG hay, \$50/bale Malcolm Moore Abbeville 864-933-2306</p>
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PLANTS & FLOWERS

ADS ARE NOT ACCEPTED FROM COMMERCIAL NURSERIES, WHICH ARE DEFINED AS HAVING ANNUAL SALES OF \$5,000.

<p>DAPHNE & PURPLE GLORY Mimosa, C Sapphire, \$20; 3 gal Azaleas \$10; Tea Olives, \$7; 1 gal Azaleas & boxwoods, \$6 FC Noles Barnwell 803-383-4066</p> <p>MONKEY GRASS aka Liriope, Hosta, \$4 ea; Iris, Daylily, \$5 ea; Hydrangea, Gardenia, \$10 ea Woody Ellenburg Pickens 864-855-2565</p>	<p>TREES Redbud, 15 gal, \$100; Pawpaw, 15 gal, \$75; 7 gal, \$25; Apple & Pear, 3 gal, \$25; more, call for avail Charles Makl Saluda 864-344-3831</p>
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SEED

ADS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A CURRENT SEED LAB TEST.

<p>SOYBEAN SEED Glyphosate tolerant, G-93%, \$20/50 lb bag; Browntop millet seed, G-83%, \$30/50 lb bag Jeffrey Gilmore Chesterfield 843-517-0315</p>
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MISCELLANEOUS

SHEEP/GOAT SQUEEZE

all metal, sides open for full access, does not rotate, adj head gate, \$800 obo
Michelle Welch
Saluda
281-686-4329

16x9-38 BKT TRACTOR TIRE

8 ply, new, \$675
Edward Klugh
Greenwood
864-374-3162

RND 7' CEDAR POSTS

\$3 ea; cedar poles, \$5 ea/8', \$7 ea/10'; sq fence posts, 4x4x8, \$8; 6x6, \$20; more
Andy Morris
Newberry
803-276-2670

275 PORT TANK

\$35; oil tank, \$75; bar joints, \$10 ea
Gary Seay
Spartanburg
864-578-8214

WIRE CATTLE PANELS

(12) 16x4 1/2, \$15 ea; (12) 10x16 chain link panels, \$60 ea; 2 w/gates, \$70 ea
John Munns
Greenville
864-483-4294

5 MH AXLES

4 w/o brakes & 1 w/brakes, all for \$350
Mike Dixon
Chester
803-385-7057

HONEY BEES

8 hives w/stands & 1-4 supers w/honey & brood, all for \$3200
Hugh Williams
Spartanburg
864-457-2013

SAND CLAY & TOPSOIL

5 ton load, \$60/sand clay; \$90 /topsoil, del w/in 20 mi; rock or sand, \$2/mi del
David Wannamaker
Calhoun
803-682-2117

6'-30'L1"x6" CEDAR LUMBER

cedar posts, & utility poles, \$1-5/ft
James Burns
Laurens
864-918-6308

RND CEDAR POSTS

cut to var sizes, 4-10" dia, 6-12' L, \$6-\$12 ea, depend on size; cut 4x4, \$2/bdft
Douglass Britt
McCormick
864-391-3334

HDWD LUMBER

var Oaks & Poplar, boards 1"x12"x8'L, \$4/bdft, free del 300 bdft or less in Upstate
Ryan Anderson
Greenville
864-234-2918

CARPENTER BEE TRAPS

to catch & control, sold & ship in lots of 5, \$85 incl ship
Bill Timmerman
Aiken
803-640-6265

'67 JD LAWN TRACTOR

mod 110-112, deck w/metal rnd fenders & seat, \$675
Greg Alewine
Lee
803-229-2322

RADIATOR

for IH 715 combine, \$300; new 5 hp elec motor, bought for grain auger, will work w/anything, \$800
Jason Nichols
Saluda
864-992-2753

AC TRACTOR ENG

\$1000 obo; more
Terry Gable
Abbeville
864-446-6442

CRAFTSMAN LAWN MWR

42" deck, old needs some work, can be used for parts, \$180
Jarod Goins
Lexington
803-381-8917

DEHORNING TOOLS

& dehorning, hoof cleaning, more, \$25 ea or \$90 for all
George Whittle
Edgefield
803-275-3729

DSL WELDER/GEN

AC/DC, Miller Bobcat 250D, low hrs, 50' of leads, \$5500
Stanley Taylor
Chester
803-789-5236

PINE LUMBER

1x4, 6, 8x8-16'; 2x4 & 2x6x8-12', \$1/bdft; Live Edge Red Oak, 3x19 (Av)x12', \$5/bdft
Kent Jewell
Lancaster
803-320-3708

57" BARN FANS

high efficient w/Kevlar shrouds, used 2 seasons, \$375 ea
Howard McCartha
Lexington
803-312-3316

HOLE DIGGER

BN Earthquake power head, w/8" & 10" augers, \$435; 280 gal skid tank, \$165, cash, more
Randy Orr
Anderson
864-295-3736

90 GAL SPRYER

JD mod LP20853, \$500; 15 gal spryr, Chapin mod 97300, \$125
Cal Norris
Edgefield
864-378-2693

SLEEVE HITCH LIFT

\$60
Matthew Kears
Hampton
803-842-0377

PTO BELT PULLEY

for FA Cub, \$125; Wizard push reel mwr, EC, \$85
R Long
Newberry
803-924-9039

400+ FELLED PECAN TREES

logs, \$25/ton; 18" firewood, \$150/cord, you cut, \$5/cord
Thomas Harmon
Lexington
803-530-3348

OLD COMP FARM BELL

old, #3, \$350; xl farm bell, w/wheel, comp, \$1200; #20 hash pots, \$200 ea; #15, \$150; more
Perry Masters
Greenville
864-561-4792

MURRAY 21" PUSH MWR

5 hp, 2 y/o, used little, \$95
Tom Kirkley
Lancaster
803-246-8195

WEEDEATER PUSH LAWN MWR

4.5 hp B&S eng, \$150 obo; Ford Ind eng, for pump, sawmill, etc, \$1700 obo
Otis Hembree
Spartanburg
864-316-1222

55 GAL FG DRUMS

metal, \$20 ea; plastic drums, 30 & 55 gal, solid tops, \$15 & \$20 ea; 275 gal port tow tanks, \$50 ea
Philip Poole
Union
864-427-1589

POULTRY

BUFF ORPINGTON CHICKS

SR, \$4 ea
John Warner
Aiken
803-582-9429

SPANGLE CHICKS

4 w/o, \$5 ea
Ryan Hand
Anderson
864-979-7274

3 INDIA BLUE PEACOCKS

9 y/o peafowl & peahen, 2 y/o peahen, sold as trio, \$500
Shirley Huston
Abbeville
803-917-9665

COTURNIX QUAIL

\$4 each
Ashley Nettles
Aiken
803-634-3148

5 DUCK HENS

1 drake, Khaki/Swedish/etc layers, \$60 for all
Roberto Garcia
Richland
803-687-7531

BARRED ROCK CHICKS

H-5/7, SR, \$4 ea
Ron Hill
Lexington
803-415-0043

BABY SILKY PEEPS

wht, gray, spotted, \$5 ea, no ship
Lisa Obert
Newberry
803-924-7378

BABY CHICKS

Sexlinks, RIR, Easter eggers & Buff Orpingtons, \$4 ea; Coturnix quail, \$3 ea
Brian Motley
Kershaw
803-315-7598

TURKEY POULTS

Jersey Buff breed, \$15; Guinea keets, var of colors, \$5; text or lv msg
Mike McKinney
Laurens
864-630-6137

WHT KING PIGEONS

banded prs, \$15/bird
Benson Ray
Georgetown
843-933-5367

8 PURE WHT HOMING PIGEONS

Jensen b'line, 2 yrs & under, 3 nesting pr, will not sep, \$125
Kathy Pearson
Oconee
864-753-0380

BOBWHITE & COTURNIX CHICKS

1-2 d/o, \$1 ea
Summer Edwards
Calhoun
803-308-4529

FERTILE PEACOCK EGGS

Indian Blue, Opal, Bronze, Hazel, & wht hatching eggs, \$25-40
Lisa Scott
Lexington
803-331-8309

DIAMOND DOVES

\$20 ea
Mosco Faulk
Sumter
803-494-8499

MALE TURKEYS

H-6/3/22, 1 wht, \$35; 1 Narragansett, 1 Bourbon, \$40 ea, or trade for females
Deborah Reed
Orangeburg
843-312-5018

JUMBO COTURNIX QUAIL

hatching eggs, \$20/40 eggs; live quail chicks, \$2-5 ea, according to age
Mark Hall
Abbeville
864-980-2019

SWINHOLE PHEASANTS

3 M adults, 1 F, \$250 for all; Mille Fleur OE bantams, \$20/pr
Tim Boozer
Newberry
803-924-3922

ORPINGTON CHICKS

lav & choc, sev ages avail, \$12+; Guinea keets, 1 d/o-1 w/o, \$7
Mary-Jane Vivas
Edgefield
803-480-1574

8 W/O RIR PULLETS

H-3/13, \$20 ea; Bronze Turkey eggs, \$5 ea
Dwight Gilliland
Saluda
864-941-0958

COTURNIX QUAIL

all ages, \$2-5
L Erbe
Calhoun
843-789-9645

ADULT GUINEAS

\$45/trio; Ringneck pheasant chicks, \$5 ea; Swiss Modain pigeons, flock of 30 birds, \$1700
Thomas Waters
Colleton
843-696-6627

GUINEA KEETS

\$5 ea; Coturnix quail, depending on age, \$1-3
Nikki Carter
Union
864-426-1634

WARHORSE

Flarry Eye Greys, Hatch, Kelso, \$25+/hen; 4 M peacocks, 2 y/o, will trade for hens, \$140 ea
Philip Poole
Union
864-427-1589

SONATOL/RAMPURI ASIL GAME

button & bull stag, 12-16 m/o, \$50
Alvin Tobias
Sumter
803-406-2440

12 RIR HENS

laying, molting, LT 2 y/o, \$15 ea
Dan Hallman
Lexington
803-319-1868

BABY MALLARDS

\$6+ ea; yng yard geese, \$12 ea
Shane Sease
Bamberg
803-824-9124

WHT PEKIN DUCKS

5 does & 1 buck, 2y/o, \$30 ea or all for \$150
Sherry Machtley
Jasper
803-942-9194

HATCHING EGGS

guinea, \$8/dz, qual disc; Coturnix quail, \$5/dz
Nelson Brawley
Union
864-426-1634

RED STAR PULLETS

\$20
Mike Sheppard
Newberry
803-924-9977

BLK SEXLINK PULLETS

12 w/o, \$15 ea; Americana pullets, 6 w/o, \$10 ea; Brown Leghorn pullets, 6 w/o, \$8 ea
Marc Renwick
Newberry
803-271-8691

SWEATERS

11 & 14 m/o stags, \$50 & \$100; hens, \$25; Kelso/Sweater 14 m/o stag, \$100
Russell Goings
Union
864-426-2309

RABBITS

8 W/O STD REX

many colors, handles daily & healthy, \$30 ea
Roberto Garcia
Richland
803-687-7531

HOLLAND LOPS

\$50-130
Kimberly Argoe
Newberry
803-446-9657

LA COTTONTAILS

\$10
Duman Wicker
Newberry
803-537-7222

REX

all colors, yng, \$15 & \$20 ea; grown bucks, \$15 ea; LA cottontails, grown bucks, \$15 ea; does, \$25 ea; yng, \$15 ea
Philip Poole
Union
864-427-1589

LA COTTONTAIL CROSSED

on MS cane cutter, \$10 ea
Danny Cook
Newberry
803-924-6953

MO COTTONTAILS

\$14 ea
Steve Ard
Aiken
803-603-0642

MIXED BREED BUCKS & DOES

4-5 m/o, \$20 ea
Sherry Machtley
Jasper
803-942-9194

REX/NZ CROSS

10 w/o, \$10 ea
Matthew Kears
Hampton
803-842-0377

WANT - FARM EQUIPMENT

1PH TO FIT IHC FA 140

must be comp, photo helpful
Thomas McArdle
Greenville
864-270-4824

RUNNING GEAR

for hay wagon
Paul Hammitt
Spartanburg
864-921-2294

IH 10 DISC TILLER

Marshall Redd
Aiken
803-522-0317

JD 512 LDR

for '21 model 5045E
Harold Wright
Cherokee
864-838-4763

ESCAPE MECHANISM

for early KMC Ripper
Ernest Winningham
Berkeley
843-830-6677

MF TRACTOR W/FRT LDR

dsl motor, Vintage tractor preferred
Ted Nettles
Charleston
843-571-3179

FORKS

for 395 Buhler-Allied frt end ldr
David Julian
Spartanburg
864-979-3957

3PH LIFTING POLE

James Freeman
Greenville
864-354-0002

JD USED TRACTOR

must have frt end ldr, no more than 20 y/o, \$15,000 max
Ryan Anderson
Greenville
864-234-2918

WANT - LIVESTOCK

EACH AD MUST LIST SPECIFIC ANIMALS.

SOUTH POLL COWS

& hefrs/calves, near Belton
Tyler Roark
Anderson
864-437-6048

PEACOCK HENS

will trade 2 y/o males, Indian Blue, wht
Philip Poole
Union
864-427-1589

WANT - HAY

COW HAY

near Belton, may buy multi depends on price & cond
Tyler Roark
Anderson
864-437-6048



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Out of State
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any old farm equip or metal items removed for free
David Wannamaker
Calhoun
803-682-2117

WANT USED TIN SHEETS

used in GC, reasonably priced, call or text
Kathleen Abdel
Calhoun
803-402-4656

RED WORMS

to start bait bed
Raymond Nix
Charleston
334-695-0906

MALE HARDY KIWI PLANT

aka Actinidia arguta, will trade female Anna for male
Barry Hossler
Saluda
803-622-3906

ELEC FUEL TANK PUMP

goes into 500 gal dsl tank
Charles Nichols
Saluda
864-992-2753

FIELDS OF LONG LEAF STRAW

for raking, top prices paid, American owned
David Shull
Lexington
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syrup kettle, anvils, lrg coffee grinder, old lighting rod w/ balls & weathervane, more
Perry Masters
Greenville
864-561-4792

BLKSMITH ANVIL

post/leg vice, any size farm bells, lard press, sausage stuffer
R Long
Newberry
803-924-9039

USDA SEEKS MEMBERS FOR FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR URBAN AGRICULTURE AND INNOVATIVE PRODUCTION

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is seeking nominations for four positions on the Federal Advisory Committee for Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production. Nominations will be open to public from May 15, 2023, to July 15, 2023.

The 12-member Committee, which first convened in March 2022, is part of USDA's efforts to increase support for urban agriculture and innovative production. Members of the Committee provide input on policy development and help identify barriers to urban agriculture as USDA works to promote urban farming and the economic opportunities it provides in cities across the country.

"The Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production Committee is an important opportunity for urban and innovative producers to have their voices heard and give direct feedback to USDA," said Terry Cosby, Chief of USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service, which oversees USDA's Office of Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production. "These new members will provide valuable input on how we can better serve urban agricultural producers with a focus on equity, local food systems, access to safe and nutritious food and new ways to address climate change."

Members of the Committee include agricultural producers and representatives from the areas of higher education or extension programs, non-profits, business and economic development, supply chains and financing. The Committee last met in April 2023.

NOMINATIONS

USDA is seeking nominations for individuals representing a broad spectrum of expertise. Four

positions are open for nominations including:

- One individual representing urban agriculture.
- One individual representing an institution of higher education or extension program.
- One individual representing business and economic development, which may include a business development entity, community development initiatives, a chamber of commerce, a city government or a planning organization.
- One individual representing related experience in urban, indoor and other emerging agriculture production practices.

Individuals who wish to be considered for membership must submit a nomination package including the following:

- A completed background disclosure form (Form AD-755) signed by the nominee; usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-755.pdf.
- A brief summary explaining the nominee's interest in one or more open vacancies including any unique qualifications that address the membership composition and criteria described above.
- A resume providing the nominee's background, experience, and educational qualifications.
- Recent publications by the nominee relative to extending support for urban agriculture or innovative production (optional).
- Letter(s) of endorsement (optional).

Nomination packages must be submitted by email to UrbanAgricultureFederalAdvisoryCommittee@usda.gov or postmarked by July 15, 2023. If sending by mail, packages should be addressed to the Office of Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production, Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Room 4627-S, Washington, DC 20250. Any interested person or

organization may nominate qualified individuals for membership, including self-nominations. For special accommodations, contact Markus Holliday at UrbanAgricultureFederalAdvisoryCommittee@usda.gov

MORE INFORMATION

The Office of Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production was established through the 2018 Farm Bill. It is led by NRCS and works in partnership with numerous USDA agencies that support urban agriculture and innovative production. The Committee is part of a broad USDA investment in urban agriculture. Other efforts include:

- Investing up to \$7.5 million for Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production competitive grants in fiscal year 2023.
- Investing up to \$9.5 million for Composting and Food Waste Reduction (CFWR) pilot projects for fiscal year 2023.
- Renewing the People's Garden movement — inspiring collaborative gardens across the country to join the People's Garden community; grow using sustainable practices that benefit people and wildlife; and teach about gardening and resilient, local food systems.
- Providing technical and financial assistance through NRCS conservation programs.
- Organizing 17 Farm Service Agency urban county committees.
- Investing nearly \$133 million in grants through the Agricultural Marketing Service's Local Agriculture Market Program (LAMP) that develop, coordinate, and expand producer-to-consumer marketing, local and regional food markets, and local food enterprises.
- Helping child nutrition program operators incorporate local foods through the Food and Nutrition Services Farm to School Program.

2023 SC CHRISTMAS TREE ASSOCIATION TO HOLD SUMMER MEETING

BY STEVE PENLAND, SCCTA

The 2023 SCCTA Summer Meeting is scheduled for June 9 and 10, 2023, at A & A Christmas Tree Farm, 42 Old Cooler Cir, Okatie, SC. The focus of the meeting will be to address new growers' questions and what is involved in starting up a Christmas tree farm.

Members are gathering at Gilligan's Seafood Restaurant, 2601 Boundary St, Beaufort, SC on Friday evening at 6 p.m. for an evening meal and social.

Starting at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Daniel & Ann Doe will describe their sales procedure and conduct a farm tour of their operation. During the tour there will be demonstrations on planting, pruning, and other culture practices.

After the field demonstrations, a Veteran Grower Panel will address questions on starting up a Christmas tree farm and what is involved. Potential questions are What type of trees to plant, Where can I find seedlings?, What spacing should I use?, When do I trim?, What pest should I be looking for?, Mowing versus chemical weed/grass control, What type of insurance do I need?, and more. Following the sharing of information, a presentation on Unique Tools of the Christmas Tree Industry will be held, including where to find them.

There will be no charge for registration for SCCTA members. Non-member farms are required to pay

a \$50 registration fee. This fee will be credited toward their 2023 membership dues if the attendee farm chooses to join the association in the first month of attendance.

To register, please notify Steve Penland, Sec. SCCTA. Steve Penland
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SHELLFISH HARVESTING SEASON CLOSES MAY 27

BY SCDNR

The 2022-2023 season for harvest of oysters, mussels, clams and all other bivalves from South Carolina's State Shellfish Grounds and Public Shellfish Grounds closed on Saturday, May 27, 2023 at one half hour after official sunset, according to South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) officials.

Because higher bacterial levels occur when water temperatures exceed 80 degrees Fahrenheit, shellfish harvesting during the summer months is limited to certain oyster farms who meet rigorous handling and operations requirements. Coastal waters will remain closed to recreational shellfish harvesting until the fall, when water temperatures begin to cool and ensure that shellfish are once again safe for harvesting and consumption. Shellfish harvesting is expected to reopen October 1, 2023. Find out more about shellfish harvesting regulations here.

Although shellfish harvesting is closed to the public during the summer, the South Carolina Oyster Recycling and Enhancement (SCORE) program accepts recycled oyster shells year-round. Shell recycling drop-off locations are located throughout coastal counties and at a few inland locations. Collection sites can be found online or by calling SCDNR at (843) 953-9397. Other types of shell, such as clams and whelks, are also accepted.

During the summer months, SCDNR biologists return the recycled shell to shorelines, where it provides an ideal base for juvenile oysters to attach and grow, thereby replenishing harvested beds. When the quantity of shell needed to replant shellfish grounds exceeds that which is recycled, SCDNR must purchase shell at increasing cost. Even a modest increase in recycled shell can save a significant amount of money. SCDNR's shellfish recycling, restoration and enhancement efforts are funded in part by saltwater recreational fishing license sales.

Although oyster harvesting slows down in the summer, oyster reef construction heats up. Late spring and early summer are busy months for SCORE's community-based oyster restoration work, in which the public is invited to work with SCDNR staff and other volunteers to create oyster habitat using recycled shell. The resulting oyster reefs provide a host of ecological services, including water filtration, nutrient cycling, and habitat for fish and invertebrates. Check the SCORE webpage for a calendar of events or email the community restoration staff at score@dnr.sc.gov.



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DOWNY MILDEW DETECTED IN SOUTH CAROLINA

BY DENISE ATTAWAY, CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

Downy mildew is making its annual appearance in South Carolina a little early this year and a Clemson University specialist says now is the time to protect cucurbits.

Downy mildew destroys plant foliage and is common on cucurbits, a family of plants that includes cucumbers, various melons, squashes and gourds. It makes annual unwelcomed visits to South Carolina in late May or early June. The first sighting for 2023 was on butternut squash in Charleston on May 12.

"This is two weeks earlier than when it was first detected in 2022," said Tony Keinath, professor of plant pathology, and Research and Extension vegetable pathologist at Clemson's Coastal Research and Education Center in Charleston, South Carolina. "The strain that affects squash and watermelon often is not seen until later in the year."

Keinath credits downy mildew's early appearance with South Carolina's spring temperatures.

"The moderate spring temperatures we've had may be responsible since the downy mildew organism doesn't like extremely hot weather," he said.

Growers should not be alarmed by this early appearance but should spray all cucurbits with one of the fungicides recommended in the Cucurbit Downy Mildew Management spray guide available from the Clemson Cooperative Extension Service's Land-Grant Press.

"Growers also should be prepared to start applying downy mildew fungicides weekly after the disease appears in their area," he said.

To stay updated, growers can get cucurbit downy mildew forecasts at <https://cdm.ipmpipe.org/>.

Cucurbit downy mildew is caused by the fungus-like oomycete *Pseudoperonospora cubensis*. It does not overwinter in South Carolina but spreads from more southern states via wind-blown spores and can travel up to 1,000 miles in two days.

This pathogen also can be spread through infected transplants. The disease begins as dark, irregular spots that spread quickly on plants' leaves, causing them to curl. It ultimately leads to a reduction in photosynthesis that can interfere with fruit development.

In addition to South Carolina, Downy mildew also has been reported on watermelons in Florida and squash and cucumbers in southern Georgia. Keinath advises South Carolina watermelon growers to spray their crops with protectants. Spray recommendations can be found in the Watermelon Fungicide Guide, also available from Clemson Extension's Land-Grant Press.

For questions about cucurbits or other crops, contact the local Clemson Extension office.

Irrigation Field Day 2023

Sponsored by the South Carolina Association of Conservation Districts in cooperation with SCDNR and USDA-NRCS

Cotton Hills Farm grows a large variety of fruits and vegetables as well as cotton. We use proven irrigation technology and wish to share our experience with you. Whether you are a beginning farmer or one with years of experience, come join us!

Our objectives for this field day are as follows:

- To show how SWCDs promote, demonstrate and educate landowners about successful conservation practices.
- To explain how USDA-NRCS provides technical assistance and cost-share dollars to put these practices to use.
- To demonstrate how irrigation can be used by anyone no matter the size of operation with experts on hand.
- To illustrate how good conservation practices such as no-till, cover crops, and water conservation can work together to make your farm more resilient, profitable and beneficial to the environment.
- To encourage participants to become involved in the local work group meetings held by conservation districts. These meetings determine the projects best suited for your area.
- Create an opportunity to meet your local district commissioners, partnership staff and irrigation suppliers who can help recommend the best management practices for you!

This is a field day so please come prepared to be outside and exposed to the elements. Work clothes and shoes, sunscreen, hats, rain gear or any other items you may need.

Restrooms are located in the market and in the warehouse. There is no cost for this tour and the meal is included.

RSVP required by Tuesday, June 20, 2023!!



When:

Tuesday June 27th
9:30 am to 2:45 pm

Where:

Cotton Hills Farm
2575 Lowrys Highway
Chester, SC 29706

Cotton Hills Farm is located on US 321 between Chester and York near the town of Lowrys.
www.cottonhillsfarm.com

BBQ lunch provided
PLEASE RSVP
by June 20, 2023
to

Alice Harris
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Chester SWCD
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Alice.Harris@sc.nacdn.net
Or

by texting Jeff Wilson at
803-385-7422

MARTIN EUBANKS FARM OPENS AT GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR AGRICULTURE

BY EMILY CULBREATH, SCDA

Many would have said Friday, May 19 was a dreary day after all the rain that had fallen the day before. However, it was joyous and beautiful for those gathered at the John De La Howe Governor's School for Agriculture. Everyone was happy to be together to celebrate Martin Eubanks' life and let his legacy live on for generations to come.

The dedication of the Martin L. Eubanks Farm on the school's campus was a reminder of Martin's commitment to South Carolina agriculture. During his 33 years at the South Carolina Department of Agriculture, he spearheaded many innovative programs in marketing that have helped to strengthen the foundation of agriculture in the state. The farm will now be able to continue growing agriculture in South Carolina by helping educate the next generation.

Commissioner Hugh Weathers, the Eubanks family, and other valued friends and colleagues gathered to share stories of Martin and join in the dedication. Martin's son, John Martin, gave a speech about his father and the impact that Martin had on everyone in attendance and those who could not attend. The Commissioner and the Eubanks family unveiled the Eubanks Farm sign.

To celebrate the moment, Commissioner Weathers and the Eubanks family broke ground on the farm, helping plant okra to get the farm started.

Sponsors including South Carolina Advocates for Agriculture, Duke Energy, the SC Watermelon Association, and others were able to raise more than \$56,000 for the Eubanks Farm to help students tend to the farm and gain hands-on

experience. The school hopes to use the farm to become at least 50 percent self-sustaining in the cafeteria. Having a place where students can see their hard work and dedication go from the ground to their plates will benefit all students at the school.

After the dedication ceremony, attendees were invited to share a meal of fried chicken and fellowship in the school's cafeteria while students gave presentations about their Supervised Agriculture Experiences (SAE) this year. At the end of the meal, John Martin and his sister, Claire, donated a jacket of their father's embroidered with "South Carolina Agriculture" that Martin had purchased at the beginning of his time at the Department. The coat will be hung at the school with a plaque at the school.



STATE REDUCES BOLL WEEVIL ERADICATION ACREAGE ASSESSMENT TO SAVE FARMERS MONEY

BY JONATHAN VEIT, CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

A program designed to guard against a pest that could devastate the South Carolina cotton crop just got cheaper and easier for the farmers whose crops it aims to protect.

The per acre assessment charged to cotton growers to fund the South Carolina Boll Weevil Eradication Program has been reduced to \$1.25 from \$1.75 and could save the state's cotton growers an estimated \$132,234 in just one year, based on 2022 acres grown in the state. Cost savings from the modified program will be passed along to growers over subsequent years.

"Any time we can save farmers money without reducing the effectiveness of our programs, we're going to do that," said Steven Long, director of Clemson's Department of Plant Industry.

In addition to the reduced fee, the state will participate in a new pilot program designed to reduce the trapping footprint without lessening the effectiveness of the program.

Traps will be set within one mile of cotton fields rather 0.5 miles and will be installed 30 days later in the growing season. The traps will be monitored every four weeks rather than every three weeks and will be removed when no food is available for boll weevils in the field.

"The new protocol will slightly reduce the number of traps but maintain enough proximity to cotton fields and still be an effective monitoring program. Traps will be put in easily accessible areas. The time traps are in the field and checked will be reduced a little, but that difference should not change the

effectiveness of the program," said Jeremy Greene, Clemson University Research and Extension entomologist.

South Carolina is part of Southeastern Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation (SEBWEF), which includes South Carolina, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Missouri, North Carolina and Virginia.

While some people think the boll weevil is a problem of the past, Greene said the insect still infests cotton at the southern tip of Texas, as well as Mexico, Central America and South America, and needs to be taken seriously.

"The boll weevil is the most devastating insect pest of cotton. Profitable production of cotton in the USA is not possible with the pest broadly infesting the crop. We must keep monitoring and fighting this pest at any buffer zone — currently southern tip of Texas — where the insect still occurs in the USA," Greene said.

Greene publishes a weekly newsletter during the summer months that includes timely information about insects important in cotton and soybeans. To subscribe, email greene4@clemson.edu.

Drake Perrow has been farming cotton in South Carolina his entire life. He's a partner in Perrow Farms which grows cotton, peanuts, and corn in the Cameron Community on land that is part of a land grant established by the King of England in 1737. He's also part owner of Cameron Cotton & Seed Co. and owns Crop Companions Inc., an agricultural consulting business. He was named 2020 Syngenta Cotton Consultant of the Year.

He can remember the days when the boll weevil was wreaking havoc in cotton fields throughout the Southeast and South Carolina, and farmers had to spray pesticides 20 times per year.

"I can remember when I started scouting cotton, boll weevils were the biggest challenge to growing cotton. You would walk down the middles of the rows and see dead squares that had fallen off everywhere. Those squares had been damaged and the females had laid their egg in that square. In most cases once cotton started putting on squares, farmers were spraying every five days and even spraying that often many would still escape," Perrow said.

While the boll weevil has been beaten back to two counties in South Texas, Perrow worries that it wouldn't take much for the pest to be reintroduced to South Carolina.

"If a producer bought a cotton picker from that area, there could be some weevils catching a ride. We have rules that any piece of equipment coming into this state be cleaned and disinfected so that should not happen. But it did happen one time, and it took three years to eradicate a small area. My biggest concern is we have a new generation of cotton farmers who have never seen a live weevil and surely have not seen the devastation they can do," Perrow said.

According to U.S. Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service, South Carolina harvested 265,000 acres of upland cotton in 2022 with a value of \$248 million. Cotton trailed only grain corn in production and total value in the state.